

IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Robert A. Luciano, Jr., *et al.* **Examiner:** Rada, Alex P
Application No.: 10/701,166 **Group Art Unit:** 3714
Filing Date: October 31, 2003 **Confirmation No.** 5466
Office Action Date: March 9, 2007 **Docket No.** 83336.1539
Title: LOTTERY GAME TICKETS AS PRIZES
IN GAMES OF CHANCE **Customer No.** 66880

Commissioner for Patents
P. O. Box 1450
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

AMENDMENT / REPLY TO FINAL OFFICE ACTION

This amendment is timely filed in response to the final Office Action mailed March 9, 2007.

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the listing of claims; which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Arguments begin on page 5 of this paper.

INTRODUCTORY COMMENTS

Claims 1-3 and 7-16 are pending in the present application. Claims 1 and 2 have been amended. Claims 4-6 have been canceled. Claims 7-16 are new.

Claim 1 was rejected under 35 U.S.C. §102(e) as being unpatentable over DeFrees-Parrott *et al.* (U.S. Pat. App. Pub. No. 2001/0036855). Claims 2 and 3 were rejected under 35 U.S.C. § 103(a) as being unpatentable over DeFrees-Parrott in view of Okuniewicz (U.S. Pat. App. Pub. No. 2003/0181236). The rejections are traversed. Applicants respectfully request reconsideration of the rejected claims.